(b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) and (b). According to information received from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh year-wise expenditure on treatment of gas affected victims and medical infrastructure at Bhopal is as follows :

Year	Total Expenditure (in Rs.)
1985-86	67,51,939
1986-87	3,48,51,627
1987-88	4,74,43,694
1988-89	5,51,94,849
1989-90	6,15,73,974
1990-91	5,87,36,736
1991-92	6,14,05,040
1992-93	7,49,20,440
1993-94	8,15,30,531
1994-95	8,70,49,939
1995-96	7,14,38,606
1996-97	1,65,29,325

Movement of Freight Traffic

3095. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ :

SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand for the movement of goods by the Railways is continuously on the increase during the last few years;

(b) if so, the total demand made to the Railways for 1991-92 and 1995-96;

(c) whether in view of the increasing demand for the goods traffic, the Government have added more wagons during the said years;

(d) if so, the additional number of wagons with the Railways durlng the year 1995-96 in comparison to the number thereof during the year 1991-92; and

(e) the number of old wagons weeded out during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The target and actual loading of revenue earning traffic during 1991-92 and 1995-96 was as follows :

Year	Target (million tonnes)	Actual loading (million tonnes)
1991-92	337.00	337.98
1995-96	385.00	390.57

(c) Commensurate with the transport requirement for the goods traffic, the Government have added the following new wagons produced in the years 1991-92 to 1995-96 :

Year	No. of wagons manufactured (in four-wheeler units)
1991-92	25778
1992-93	26129
1993-94	19649
1994-95	10575
1995-96	17950

(d) Ownership of BG wagons (in FWUs) on Indian Railways was 474008 as on 1.4.1991 and 466087 as on 1.4.1995.

(e) 89,485 BG wagons (in FWUs) were condemned during the period 1.4.1991 to 31.3.1995, and during 1995-96 the provisional figure is 19140.

[English]

Railway Track Sleepers

3096. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that a large number of RCC Railway track sleeper were kept in the Plot No. 256 and 257 of village Tiheri Math under the Massauri Police Station Patna District near Nadaul Railway Station;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken by Government to remove them; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) It has not been possible to ascertain the exact location of Plot No. 256 and 257. However, near Nadaul Station on Patna-Gaya Section of Eastern Railway some Prestressed Concrete Sleepers are lying near Railway boundry.

(b) Prestressed Concrete sleepers were unloaded by the side of track near Nadual Railway Station in Patna-Gaya Section of Danapur Div. of E.Rly. for carrying out casual renewal of worn-out sleepers. About 35 nos. of such sleepers have rolled down the embankment and are lying in Nadaul station limit, near Railway boundary.

(c) Eastern Railway has been advised to retrieve the above sleepers at the earliest.

(d) Does not arise.